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Ms. Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, Rhode Island 02888

Dear Ms. Massaro:

We are filing, herewith, for effect June 13, 2003, tariff material consisting of:

RI PUC No. 15

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This tariff filing is in compliance with the FCC's 3rd Report and Order (01-362)) 99-200 regarding Number Resource Optimization which clarified that telephone numbers in intermittent or cyclical use should not be classified as Reserved Numbers if they meet certain criteria. The criteria specifies that such numbers could be classified as "assigned" (i.e., not Reserved Numbers) to the extent that they are "working" for a minimum of 90 days in a calendar year in which they are assigned to a particular customer. As such, Verizon Rhode Island is updating the tariff for Temporary Suspension of Service in order to meet the above requirement.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Frances O'Neill-Cunha of my staff at 401 525-3560.

Enclosed are an original and nine copies of the tariff material. Please return a copy of this letter and the tariff pages marked "Duplicate" with your stamp of receipt.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa L. O'Brien Attachment

Verizon New England Inc.

3. Service Charges

3.1 Description

3.1.4 Other Services

- **B.** Temporary Suspension of Service— An arrangement which permits a customer under certain conditions to retain his service facilities in place when the service is not needed. During this period of temporary suspension of service, central office lines are made inoperative.
- 1. Exchange service may be temporarily suspended and the customer's listing retained in the directory.
- 2. Temporary suspension of service is available to a customer for a maximum period of nine (9) months. The customer's number must be working for at least 90 days in a calendar year. More than one period of temporary suspension may be permitted in any one calendar year provided at least one month's full charge shall be paid for service furnished between periods of temporary suspension. The reduction of rate on account of the temporary suspension of service applies during a total of not more than nine months during any one calendar year.
- 3. The reduction of rate on account of the temporary suspension of service cannot apply during the first month's period of service.

4. Business and Residence Service

- **a.** During the period of suspension a monthly rate equal to 50% of the regular monthly rate applies unless otherwise specified. However, if the period of suspension is 15 days or less, full monthly rates apply.
- **b.** With Centrex systems, the minimum monthly charge applies during the period of suspension. All items of service in excess of the minimum monthly requirements are charged for at 50% of the applicable monthly rates.
- **c.** With service provided under the Plan I two tier rate plan, the monthly rate during the period of suspension is 50% of the Tier B rate plus the Tier A rates if applicable.
- **C. Establishment of Signal Power Levels—** If the network protection criteria, (as specified in Section 4) are to be used at a specified location in connection with acoustic or inductive connections, a S&E charge applies to each exchange line requiring the establishment of signal power levels at the output of the network control signaling unit. The S&E charge is not applicable if the work is performed at the same time the exchange line is installed.

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